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an adhesive layer affixed to said second surface of said nonconductive, nonmagnetic material, said adhesive layer contacting a part to be inspected.

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16. (Amended) A method of using a compliant laminar eddy current sensitivity standard comprising the steps of:

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providing a sheet of nonconductive, nonmagnetic material having a first exterior planar surface, at least one strand of highly conductive material embedded in the sheet and an adhesive layer affixed to a second surface of the nonconductive, nonmagnetic material;

adhering said individual sensitivity standard to a surface of said part to be inspected; and

passing an eddy current probe over said first exterior surface of said individual sensitivity standard.

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#### R E M A R K S

Prior to the initial office action in the above-referenced U.S. patent application, Applicants wish to amend claims 1 and 16 to further define the present invention.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe an additional amendment is needed to place the case in condition for allowance, he is

invited to contact Applicants' Attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1 and 16 have been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A compliant laminar eddy current sensitivity standard comprising:

a sheet of nonconductive, nonmagnetic material having a first planar surface and a second surface;

at least one strand of highly conductive material completely embedded in said sheet; and

an adhesive layer affixed to [a] said second surface of said nonconductive, nonmagnetic material, said adhesive layer contacting a part to be inspected.

16. (Amended) A method of using a compliant laminar eddy current sensitivity standard comprising the steps of:

providing a sheet of nonconductive, nonmagnetic material having a first exterior planar surface, at least one strand of highly conductive material embedded in the sheet and an adhesive layer affixed to a second surface of the nonconductive, nonmagnetic material;

adhering said individual sensitivity standard to a surface of said part to be inspected; and

passing an eddy current probe over [a] said first exterior surface of said individual sensitivity standard.